The election/restriction requirement set forth by the Examiner is duly noted. Responsive to 35 U.S.C. § 121, applicant elects the species VIII of Fig. 28 (Applicant submits that the species should include Figs. 28 through 30). Applicant states that the claims readable thereon are claims 26 through 38.

Applicant reserves the right to file separate applications directed to the subject matter of the nonelected claims.

Examination on the merits and allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner is of the opinion that such favorable action cannot now be taken, it is requested that he telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney in order that any outstanding issue may be resolved without the necessity of a further Office Action.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with this response or any credits due, the Examiner is authorized to either charge or credit our Deposit Account No. 23-0815.

Respectfully submitted,

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